THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM'S DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NOTICE OF DISPLAY AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ANALYSIS OF IMPEDIMENTS TO FAIR HOUSING CHOICE

Notice is hereby given that the City of Bethlehem, PA will hold a virtual public hearing on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 6:00 PM., at the following link:

Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Public Meeting

Wed, Jun 30, 2021 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM (EDT) https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/714434773

OR

Phone: (224) 501-3412 Access Code: 714-434-773

If special arrangements need to be made for residents to accommodate them in order to participate in the public hearing, please contact the City's Department of Community and Economic Development, Tina Roseberry at 610-997-5731, or CRoseberry@bethlehem-pa.gov, or 711 for the hearing impaired, to make arrangements. Si es necesario establecer arreglos especiales para que los residentes los acojan para participar en la audiencia pública, comuníquese con la Consejera de Desarrollo Comunitario y Económico de la Ciudad, Tina Roseberry al 610-997-5731, o CRoseberry@bethlehem-pa.gov, o al 711 para las personas con discapacidad auditiva, para hacer arreglos.

The purpose of the public hearing is to present the City's Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI). As a federal entitlement community through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Partnerships (HOME) programs, the City is required to affirmatively further fair housing under Section 808 of the Fair Housing Act. To affirmatively further fair housing, the City must conduct an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction and take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through the analysis.

The Cities of Allentown, Bethlehem, and Easton, in partnership with Northampton County, are preparing a joint Al. The Al is a planning document that examines any public or private actions that have the effect of restricting housing choice, or the availability of housing, based on an individual's race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin.

Copies of the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice are available for public viewing beginning June 14, 2021 through July 16, 2021 on the City's website https://www.bethlehem-pa.gov/Community-Economic-Development/Community-Development/CDBG-HOME-(1) or by email. To request a copy by email, send the request to: Tina Roseberry at CRoseberry@bethlehem-pa.gov.

All comments on the draft AI must be received no later than July 16th, 2021. After this date, City Council will be asked to approve the AI by resolution and submit to HUD shortly thereafter.

The Honorable Robert J. Donchez Mayor